

Proclamation 5738 of November 6, 1987

National Women Veterans Recognition Week, 1987

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

During wartime and peacetime American women in every branch of the Armed Forces have defended our country and our ideals with devotion and distinction. Such service, of course, is neither easy nor without risk. As veterans, these women continue to contribute to our Nation in civilian life. The week in which Veterans Day falls is a most appropriate time to offer women veterans our heartfelt respect and thanks for their part in preserving our freedom and security.

This week we also remember that our gratitude as a Nation must include meeting women veterans' special needs and concerns. With the help of its Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, the Veterans' Administration has sought creative, effective ways to do this. National Women Veterans Recognition Week is a fine time to both redouble our efforts and express our appreciation.

To create greater public awareness and recognition of the many achievements of women veterans, the Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 171, has designated the week beginning November 8, 1987, as "National Women Veterans Recognition Week" and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning November 8, 1987, as National Women Veterans Recognition Week. I encourage all Americans and government officials at every level to celebrate this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 6th day of Nov., in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twelfth.

RONALD REAGAN

Proclamation 5739 of November 6, 1987

National Family Bread Baking Month, 1987

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Bread, the staff of life, both gives and symbolizes sustenance. Until recent decades the American people baked their bread at home, and today many families enjoy this tradition, not simply for its wholesome nutrition but also for its rich association with the well-being and security of family life.

Baking bread at home provides a nutritious and delicious food and uses many products of American agriculture, such as wheat, rye, corn, dairy

products, sugar, eggs, and other ingredients. Besides contributing to the physical needs of the family, baking bread at home can nourish its strength and unity as well, and teach and tell much about American traditions and values.

In recognition of the value of baking bread in the home, the Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 163, has designated November 1987 as "National Family Bread Baking Month" and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the month of November 1987 as National Family Bread Baking Month. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twelfth.

RONALD REAGAN

Proclamation 5740 of November 10, 1987

National Food Bank Week, 1987

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

This harvest season, as Thanksgiving approaches, we are grateful that our country is rich in caring citizens who establish and maintain food banks to serve people in time of need. These devoted Americans daily offer their talents and material resources to help their neighbors.

Individuals, the food industry, other businesses, churches, government agencies, schools, and other groups combine to make food banks work. Social service agencies often refer clients to food banks pending the processing of the clients' benefit applications; this ensures that families' temporary needs are met while long-term assistance is being arranged. The food industry donates surplus food to regional food banks that help supply local pantries and private local food programs. Private businesses provide support services ranging from transportation and cold storage to accounting and legal help.

Our Nation's food banks and those who staff them truly deserve the thanks and the cooperation of all Americans.

In recognition of food banks and of the many Americans who help organize and operate them, the Congress, by House Joint Resolution 368, has designated the week of November 8 through November 14, 1987, as "National Food Bank Week" and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week of November 8 through November